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On the question of the [Salto das Sete Quedas (Guaira Falls)] sector of this boundary on the Rio Paraná, according to information provided informally by a Brazilian Foreign Ministry official, Brazil understands that that sector has already been demarcated, but that the area still needs to be properly delineated (caracterizada), and a larger number of pillars installed in the region. Paraguay understands, on the other hand, that the area is still to be demarcated.

During the Conference on Boundaries held in Asuncion in early April 1975, the Brazilian-Paraguayan Mixed Committee on Boundaries decided, according to the same official, that studies should be initiated immediately aimed at carrying out the demarcation (for Paraguay) and the delineation (for Brazil) of the area in 1976.

The official noted, however, that relations between Brazil and Paraguay in this area are excellent, and that this is only a minor divergence which will be resolved soon.

In any case, he remarked, some technicians believe that the area will be flooded when the Itaipú dam goes into operation.

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